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AN ACT further to regulate the entry of merchandize imported into the United States from any adjacent territory

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That it shall be the duty of the master of any vessel, except registered vessels, and of every person having charge of any boat, canoe, or raft, and of the conductor or driver of any carriage or sleigh, and of every other person coming from any foreign territory adjacent to the United States, into the United States, with merchandize subject to duty, to deliver on his or her arrival within the United States a manifest of the cargo or loading of such vessel, boat, canoe, or raft, or sleigh, or of the merchandize so brought from such foreign territory, at the office of any collector or deputy collector, which shall be nearest to the boundary line, or nearest to the road or waters by which such merchandize is brought; and every such manifest shall be verified by the oath of such person delivering the same; which oath shall be taken before such collector or deputy collector; and such oath shall state that such manifest contains a full, just, and true account, of the kinds, quantities and values, of all the merchandize, so brought from such foreign territory; and if the master, or other person having charge of such vessel, boat, canoe, or raft, or the conductor or driver of such carriage or sleigh, or other person bringing merchandize as aforesaid, shall neglect to refuse or deliver the manifest herein required, or pass by, or avoid such office, the merchandize subject to duty, and so imported, shall be forfeited to the United States, together with the vessel, boat, canoe, or raft, the tackle, apparel, and furniture of the same, or the carriage or sleigh, and harness and cart, drawing the same, or the horses with their saddles and bridles, as the case may be; and such master, conductor, or other importer, shall be subjected to pay a penalty of four hundred dollars.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That any deputy collector, stationed in any district of the customs contiguous to a foreign territory, to whom a manifest of merchandize, subject to duty, shall be delivered as aforesaid, is hereby authorized to require of the importer of such merchandize the payment of the duties thereon, or good and ample security, either by bond, with one or more sufficient securities, for the payment thereof, or by the deposit of a portion of such merchandize, equal, at least, to double the amount of the duties on the whole importation; which bond shall be cancelled, or the merchandize, so deposited, shall be delivered to the owner, on the producing to the deputy collector a certificate, of the collector of the district, that the duties have been duly paid.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all penalties and forfeitures incurred by force of this act shall be sued for, recovered, distributed and accounted for, in the manner prescribed by the act, entitled "An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage," passed on the second day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, and may be mitigated and remitted in the manner prescribed by the act, entitled "An act to provide for the mitigating or remitting the forfeitures penalties, and disabilities, accruing in certain cases therein mentioned," passed on third day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

Approved—March 2, 1821.

AN ACT establishing the salaries of the Commissioners and Agents appointed under the Treaty of Ghent.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, from and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, each Commissioner now appointed, or who may be appointed agreeably to the provisions of the treaty of Ghent shall be entitled to receive at the rate of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum; and each agent appointed, or who may be appointed, as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive at the rate of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum; which said sums so allowed to said officers, respectively, shall be a full compensation for services and all personal expenses incurred while in the performance of the duties of their respective offices: *Provided,* That the compensation by this section allowed shall not be continued longer than two years from the said first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That each commissioner and agent shall not be entitled receive for services performed in their respective offices, before the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, any greater sum than the rate of four thousand four hundred and forty-four dollars per annum, which shall be considered a full compensation for services and all personal expenses incurred while in the discharge of their respective duties.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the payment of the salaries of the said commissioners and agents, and for the expenses under the treaty of Ghent, for the present year.

Approved—March 3, 1821.

AN ACT to authorise the collectors of customs to pay debentures issued on the exportation of loaf sugar and spirits distilled from molasses.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all debentures which have been, or may hereafter be, issued upon the exportation of spirits distilled from molasses, or sugar refined within the United States, shall be payable within thirty days after the passing of this act or thirty days after their issue, as the case may be, and shall be discharged by the collector of the customs, by whom they may have been, or shall be, issued, out of the product of the duties upon imports and tonnage; any thing in any act or acts of Congress, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved—March 3d, 1821.

AN ACT making appropriations for the Public Buildings.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, for continuing the works on the Centre Buildings of the Capitol and other improvements on the Public Buildings, the following sums of money be, and hereby are, appropriated:

For continuing the works on the Centre Buildings, the sum of eighty thousand dollars.

For covering the roof of the President's House with copper, seven thousand eight hundred and forty-five dollars.

For graduating and improving the ground around the Capitol, two thousand dollars.

For improvements in the Senate Chamber, and in the Hall of the House of Representatives, and in the Library, seven hundred dollars.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the unexpended balances of appropriations to other public buildings, are hereby appropriated to the Centre buildings.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the said several sums of money be paid out of any moneys in

the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved—March 3d, 1821.

AN ACT extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants to officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary Army.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the time limited, by the second session of the act approved on the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, for issuing military land warrants to the officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary army, shall be extended to the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three; and the time for locating the unlocated warrants shall be extended to the first day of October thereafter!

Approved—March 3, 1821.

AN ACT to continue in force an act, entitled "An act regulating the currency within the United States of the gold coins of Great Britain, Portugal, and Spain," passed on the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, so far as the same relates to the crowns and five francs pieces of France.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, so much of the act, entitled "An act regulating the currency within the United States of the gold coins of Great Britain, France, Portugal, and Spain," passed on the twenty-ninth day of April, eighteen hundred and sixteen, as relates to the crowns and five francs pieces of France, shall be, and the same hereby is, continued in force for the further term of two years, from and after the twenty-ninth day of April next.

Approved—March 3, 1821.

AN ACT authorizing the President of the United States to remove the Land Office in the District of Lawrence County in the territory of Arkansas.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That so much of the act entitled "An Act, making provision for the establishment of additional Land Offices in the territory of Missouri," as requires that the Land Office for the District of Lawrence County shall be established at the seat of justice in said County, shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and the President of the United States is hereby, authorized to remove and establish said office at any suitable place within the said district.

Approved—March 2, 1821.

AN ACT to alter the times of holding the District Court in the northern district of New-York.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the District Court of the United States of America for the northern district of New-York, directed by law to be holden at Utica shall hereafter be holden at the same place, on the last Tuesday of August, instead of the third Tuesday in May in each year; and that the court directed by law to be holden at Albany on the second Tuesday in November, shall, instead thereof, hereafter be holden at the same place on the last Tuesday in January in each year.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all actions, suits, process, proceedings, commenced, or to be commenced now pending in said district court, and liable to be discontinued or suffer prejudice from the foregoing alterations, may be returned to, and shall be continued to, the district court to be holden in pursuance of this act, in such manner as that the same shall suffer no discontinuance or prejudice by virtue of this act.

Approved—March 2, 1821.

AN ACT to authorize the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the District of Louisiana to appoint a deputy to aid him in the discharge of the duties of his office.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the District of Louisiana shall be authorized to appoint a deputy to aid him in the discharge of the duties of his office, and that the said Clerk shall be, in all respects liable for the acts of his said deputy.

Approved—March 3, 1821.

AN ACT to amend an act, entitled "An act for regulating process in the Courts of the United States."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in all suits and actions in any district court of the United States, in which it shall appear that the judge of such court is any ways concerned in interest, or has been of council of either party, or is so related to, or connected with either party, as to render it improper for him in his opinion to sit on the trial of such suit or action, it shall be the duty of such judge, on application of either party, to cause the fact to be entered on the records of the court; and, also, an order that an authenticated copy thereof, with all the proceedings in such suit or action, shall be forthwith certified to the next circuit court of the district, and if there be no circuit court in such state, to the most convenient circuit court in an adjacent state, which circuit court shall, upon such record being filed with the clerk thereof, take cognizance thereof, in the like manner as if such suit or action had been originally commenced in that court, and shall proceed to hear and determine the same accordingly, and the jurisdiction of such circuit court shall extend to all such cases so removed, as were cognizable in the district court from which the same was removed.

Approved—March 3, 1821.

RESOLUTION providing for jails in certain cases, for the safe custody of persons committed under the authority of the United States.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That where any state or states having complied with the recommendation of Congress, in the resolution of the twenty-third day of September, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, shall have withdrawn, or shall hereafter withdraw, either in whole or in part, the use of their jails for prisoners committed under the authority of the United States, the marshal in such state or states, under the direction of the Judge of the District, shall be, and hereby is, authorized and required to hire a convenient place to serve as a temporary jail, and to make the necessary provision for the safe keeping of prisoners committed under the authority of the United States, until permanent provision shall be made by law for that purpose; and the said marshal shall be allowed his reasonable expenses, incurred for the above purposes, to be paid out of the Treasury of the United States.

Approved—March 3, 1821.

AN ACT to revive and continue in force "An act fixing the compensation of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, of the Clerks employed in their offices, and of the Librarian," approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the act entitled "An act fixing the compensations of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, of the clerks employed in their offices, and of the Librarian," approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, be, and the same is hereby, revived and continued in force from the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, until the first day

of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four.

Approved—March 3, 1821.

AN ACT to authorize the building of Light Houses therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to provide, by contract, for building light houses, and placing buoys on the following sites and shoals, to wit: five light-houses, one on Cross Island, near Machias; one in the harbor of Boothbay, at such place as the Secretary of the Treasury shall designate; and one on Pond Island at the mouth of the Kennebeck river; one on the Stradford point in Connecticut; and one on Throg's Neck, in New-York; and on the shoals of Nantucket and the Vineyard sound, a number of buoys, not exceeding ten, in the state of Massachusetts. A light-house at the mouth of Oswego river, at such place as shall be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury, in state of New-York. And two buoys, one on James ledge, and one on the rock called Old Gay; and a spindle on the Brothers, in the state of Rhode Island.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That there be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to wit: For building three light-houses, one on Cross Island near Machias; one in the harbor of Boothbay; and one on Pond Island, ten thousand five hundred dollars: For building the light houses on Stadford Point, and Throg's Neck, four thousand dollars: For a light house at the mouth of Oswego river, three thousand five hundred dollars: For two buoys and a spindle for the rocks called James' ledge, Old Gay, and the Brothers, four hundred and fifty dollars: And for placing buoys, and anchors with buoys, in the Altamaha river, between the port of Darien, and Doboy Sound, in the state of Georgia, a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That no light house shall be built on any site previous to the cession of jurisdiction over the same to the United States.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and requested to cause such an examination or survey of the Isles of Shoals on the coast of New Hampshire and Maine, to be made, by proper and intelligent persons, as may be requisite to ascertain the expediency and practicability of repairing the sea-wall at Smutty Nose Island, and of building a sea-wall between said Island and Cedar Island. And that the President be further requested, in like manner, to ascertain the expediency of erecting a stone pier on Sunken Rocks, in the harbor of Portsmouth in the state of New Hampshire. And the President is hereby authorized to cause the sea-wall aforesaid to be repaired, and the pier aforesaid to be erected, by contract, under the direction of the collector of the district of Portsmouth, if, on the report of such persons, he shall deem it necessary. And the President is further requested to communicate to Congress, at their next session, the result of so much of the examination and survey, as relates to the expediency and practicability of the sea-wall aforesaid: *Provided,* That no money shall be expended in erecting the pier aforesaid, until the jurisdiction of the site thereof shall be ceded by the state of New Hampshire to the United States.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That a sum, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the purposes aforesaid; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Approved—March 3, 1821.